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INFO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EINV ET NO

SUBJECT: MOSVOLD CO. (ETH) LTD.

REF: (A) ADDIS ABABA 10051 (B) STATE 214825

1. PARAGRAPH 9 OF REFTEL (A) RAISES QUESTION OF PARENTAGE OF OWNERSHIP

OF FEDERAL MOTORSHIP AND NORTHERN SHIPPING CORPS., WHICH ARE AMERICAN COMPANIES HAVING SHARES IN SUBJECT COMPANY. ACCORDING TO MR. TORREY MOSVOLD, FEDERAL MOTORSHIP IS OWNED BY HIM AND HIS FAMILY, WITH SHARE DISTRIBUTION ABOUT 50-50 NORWEGIAN-U.S. MAJORITY SHARED IN NORTHERN SHIPPING IS HELD BY MR. KRISTIAN HAANES, NORWEGIAN, OF KRISTIANSAND.

2. MOSVOLD HAS PERSUADED REPORTERS TO KEEP CONFISCATION OUT OF PRESS AT LEAST UNTIL BAGLE IS OUT OF ETHIOPIA. HE HOPES TO MAINTAIN SILENCE

LONGER, IF POSSIBLE, PARTICULARLY IN VIEW OF REFERENCE TO PRESS IN PARAGRAPH 4 OF REFTEL (A). IF STORY BREAKS NEVERTHELESS, AND IF EMBA SSY

APPROACHED BY PRESS, WE PROPOSE SAYING ONLY THAT U.S. IS AWARE OF THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SITUATION AND THAT ITS EMBASSIES IN ADDIS ABABA AND OSLO ARE IN

TOUCH WITH THE PARTIES CONCERNED TO CLARIFY DETAILS AND TO ASSURE  
THAT  
AMERICAN RIGHTS IN THE CASE ARE OBSERVED.

3. MOSVOLD PLANS TO ENLIST AMERICAL LEGAL ASSISTANCE. CAN STATE  
PROVIDE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF LAW FIRMS INVOLVED IN SOME OTHER EX-  
PROPRIATION OR CONFISCATION CASES?  
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